

Minutes of CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
The Board of Trustees
Gull Lake Community Schools

A Curriculum Committee meeting of the Board of Trustees of Gull Lake Community Schools was held on Monday, March 17, 2025, beginning at 8:00 AM in the Christopher L. Rundle Administration Building.

Roll Call: Secretary Mini Paulose-Murphy, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instructional Technology Drew Bordner, Vice President Desiree LaDuke, President Carole Mendez, Superintendent Christopher Rundle,

Guests: Carmen Maring

1. Public Comments: None

2. Approve Draft Minutes: The February 14, 2025, minutes were approved.

3. Alternative Middle School Programming

Principal Maring presented the Alternative Middle School program to the Committee. The goal of this program is to create a successful alternative approach to learning, focusing on 7th and 8th grade students in an effort to improve their success at the GLMS and GLHS. The Committee discussed various aspects of the program including goals, staff, student profiles, program location, timelines, and support. The Committee agrees to move forward with the program.

4. Tuition Based Schools

Superintendent Rundle presented the concept of Tuition Based Schools to the Committee. Two sports academies in Michigan have expressed interest in partnering with the District's Virtual Partnership to offer education to their players. Additional possibilities include enrolling international students and homeschool students from Indiana. This District has consulted with Thrun Law and Plante Moran to explore this option and plans to charge tuition fees. The Committee discussed the growth cap, available resources, and financial impact of tuition and revenue for the District.

5. Theatre Experience Follow Up

Assistant Superintendent Bordner shared an email from Laurel Flaget, Special Education Parapro, with the Committee. Laurel gave kudos to Lisa Oullette for creating the peer-to-peer course, which has had a positive effect on students. She expressed that it has been exceptional witnessing true friendships being formed as a result of the course.

6. Cultural Agility

Assistant Superintendent Bordner provided an update on Cultural Agility to the Committee. Work has continued with the following groups: Administrative Assistants, Principal Instructional Team (PIT), and Professional Learning Communities (PLCs).

7. Next Meeting: April 11, 2025 @ 9:15 a.m.